

Deer Tagging Instructions

- 1 You must validate the appropriate deer carcass tag immediately upon killing and before field dressing or moving the deer.
2. **Be sure you have selected the correct tag** (see pages 22-27) and validate by slitting the appropriate date and time indicated on the tag.
Note: An antlerless deer is any deer that does not have any antler of 3 or more inches in length. A buck deer is any deer with an antler 3 inches or longer.
3. Insert a string or similar fastener through the small hole in the middle of the tag (note: a tab covers the hole). You will need to provide your own string or similar fastener to attach the carcass tag to your deer.
4. **Immediately attach the validated tag to the deer's ear or antler.**
5. After the deer has been tagged, it must be registered at an appropriate registration station. Please see the section below on registration.
6. Any person killing a deer with a firearm for another member of their group deer hunting party (see page 11) must make sure that the person for whom the deer was killed attaches a validated carcass tag to the deer's ear or antler without delay and prior to field dressing or moving the deer.
7. The carcass and registration tags must remain attached to the deer until butchering. The person who killed, tagged or obtained the deer shall retain all tags until the meat is consumed.

Deer Registration

Deer must be kept intact, except for field dressing and skinning, prior to registration. The lower legs, up to the tarsus joint ("ankle or hock") on the hind legs and up to the carpus joint ("wrist or knee") on the front legs, may also be removed. If the skin or legs are removed prior to registration, they must be kept with the carcass until after the deer is registered.

Exemption: Deer may be skinned and quartered by persons holding a Class A or B Disabled Permit. All permits must be presented at the time of registration.

In addition to the tagging requirements, ***all deer must be registered*** at a DNR Deer Registration Station. Registration forms are available at deer registration stations and license agents.

Firearm Deer Registration (includes muzzleloader deer season):

- **Location:** All deer killed by firearm hunters must be registered in the unit of kill or in an adjoining unit.
- **Deadline:** All deer killed by firearm hunters must be registered no later than 5:00 p.m. of the day after the close of the season in which the deer was killed.

Archery Deer Registration:

- **Location:** All deer killed by archery hunters must be registered in the unit of kill or an adjoining unit.
- **Deadline:** All deer killed by archery hunters must be registered no later than 5:00 p.m. on the third day after the deer was killed or by 5:00 p.m. the day after the season closes, whichever occurs first.

Deer Hunting Seasons: Regular Units ☐

Regular units are the non-shaded units on the Deer Management Unit (DMU) Map (pages 28-29). Deer populations are at or near goal in these units and utilizing a limited number of Unit Specific Antlerless Deer Carcass Tags (page 23) for antlerless deer harvest during the gun deer seasons (along with the archery and muzzleloader seasons) is sufficient to manage the deer population. Harvesting a limited number of antlerless deer maintains a DMU's population near established goals.

Seasons & Harvest Limits

2006 Gun Deer Seasons – Regular Units	
Season	Harvest Limits
November 18 – 26	One buck deer per unused Gun Buck Deer Carcass Tag & additional antlerless deer per unused Unit Specific Antlerless Deer Carcass Tags.
December 7 – 10	<i>Antlerless deer only hunt:</i> One antlerless deer per unused Unit Specific Antlerless Deer Carcass Tag.

2006 Archery Deer Seasons – Regular Units	
Season	Harvest Limits
September 16 – November 16 & November 27 – January 7	One deer of either sex per unused Archery Either Sex Deer Carcass Tag. One antlerless deer per unused Archery Antlerless Deer Carcass Tag & additional antlerless deer per unused Unit Specific Antlerless Deer Carcass Tags. EXCEPT December 7 – 10.
December 7 – 10	<i>Antlerless deer only hunt:</i> One antlerless deer per unused Archery Either Sex Deer Carcass Tag or Archery Antlerless Deer Carcass Tag & additional antlerless deer per unused Unit Specific Antlerless Deer Carcass Tags.

2006 Muzzleloader Deer Seasons – Regular Units	
Season	Harvest Limits
November 27 – December 6	One buck deer per unused Gun Buck Deer Carcass Tag & additional antlerless deer per unused Unit Specific Antlerless Deer Carcass Tags.

See page 38 for October 7-8 Youth Hunt information.

- A *buck deer* means a deer with at least one antler which is 3 inches or longer in length.
- An *antlerless deer* means any deer without antlers or any deer with both antlers less than 3 inches in length.

Deer Hunting Seasons: Herd Control Units

Herd Control Deer Management Units (formerly known as Zone T Units) are the grey shaded units on the Deer Management Unit (DMU) Map. These DMUs require additional harvest of antlerless deer to reduce the deer population and move these units toward goal. This year, as part of the trial season structure, there will be unlimited Antlerless Deer Carcass Tags (valid in Herd Control and EAB units, see page 24) available. Hunters will receive one free with each deer license and additional tags may be purchased at \$2 each. These tags will be the primary tool to bring deer populations toward goal. Units are designated as Herd Control Units when a deer population is well over goal and increased antlerless harvest is required to bring populations toward goal.

Seasons & Harvest Limits

2006 Gun Deer Seasons – Herd Control Units	
Season	Harvest Limits
November 18 – 26	One buck deer per unused Gun Buck Deer Carcass Tag & additional antlerless deer per unused Antlerless Deer Carcass Tags (valid in Herd Control and EAB units).
December 7 – 10	<i>Antlerless deer only hunt:</i> One antlerless deer per unused Antlerless Deer Carcass Tag (valid in Herd Control and EAB units).

2006 Archery Deer Seasons – Herd Control Units	
Season	Harvest Limits
September 16 – November 16 & November 27 – January 7	One deer of either sex per unused Archery Either Sex Deer Carcass Tag. One antlerless deer per unused Archery Antlerless Deer Carcass Tag & additional antlerless deer per unused Antlerless Deer Carcass Tags (valid in Herd Control and EAB units), EXCEPT December 7 – 10.
December 7 – 10	<i>Antlerless deer only hunt:</i> One antlerless deer per unused Archery Either Sex Deer Carcass Tag or Archery Antlerless Deer Carcass Tag & additional antlerless deer per unused Antlerless Deer Carcass Tags (valid in Herd Control and EAB units).

2006 Muzzleloader Deer Seasons – Herd Control Units	
Season	Harvest Limits
November 27 – December 6	One buck deer per unused Gun Buck Deer Carcass Tag & additional antlerless deer per unused Antlerless Deer Carcass Tags (valid in Herd Control and EAB units).

See page 38 for October 7-8 Youth Hunt information.

Seasons & Harvest Limits *continued*

Metro Herd Control Units

Units 1M and 77M are Metropolitan (Metro) Deer Management Units. All Metro Units have additional deer harvest opportunities (longer seasons) due to higher deer populations in and around urban areas. Note: Only shotguns, muzzleloaders and handguns are allowed in unit 77M, whereas rifles, shotguns, muzzleloaders and handguns are allowed in unit 1M during firearm seasons.

2006 Gun Deer Seasons – Metro Herd Control Units	
Season	Harvest Limits
November 18 – December 6	One buck deer per unused Gun Buck Deer Carcass Tag & additional antlerless deer per unused Antlerless Deer Carcass Tags (valid in Herd Control and EAB units).
December 7 – 10	<i>Antlerless deer only hunt:</i> One Antlerless Deer per unused Antlerless Deer Carcass Tag (valid in Herd Control and EAB units).

2006 Archery Deer Seasons – Metro Herd Control Units	
Season	Harvest Limits
September 16 – November 16 & November 18 – January 31	One deer of either sex per unused Archery Either Sex Deer Carcass Tag. One antlerless deer per unused Archery Antlerless Deer Carcass Tag & additional antlerless deer per unused Antlerless Deer Carcass Tags (valid in Herd Control and EAB units), EXCEPT December 7 – 10.
December 7 – 10	<i>Antlerless deer only hunt:</i> One antlerless deer per unused Archery Either Sex Deer Carcass Tag or Archery Antlerless Deer Carcass Tag & additional antlerless deer per unused Antlerless Deer Carcass Tags.

See page 38 for October 7-8 Youth Hunt information.

- A *buck deer* means a deer with at least one antler which is 3 inches or longer in length.
- An *antlerless deer* means any deer without antlers or any deer with both antlers less than 3 inches in length.

Always Remember the Four Rules of Firearm Safety

1. Treat every gun as if it were loaded.
2. Always point the muzzle in a safe direction.
3. Be sure of your target and beyond.
4. Keep your finger out of the trigger guard until you are ready to shoot.

Deer Hunting Seasons: Earn-a-Buck Units

Earn-a-Buck (EAB) Deer Management Units are the grey shaded units with crosshatches on the Deer Management Unit (DMU) Map (pages 28-29). These DMUs require an additional layer of population management to further reduce the deer population and move these units toward goal. EAB is a more restrictive season structure, but it is also a more effective method of population control. This season structure requires the hunter to first tag an antlerless deer before being allowed to tag an antlered deer. EAB units also incorporate unlimited Antlerless Deer Carcass Tags (page 24), one free with each license and additional tags are available for \$2 each. This season structure is only recommended if a DMU has been a Herd Control Unit for two consecutive years, and unlimited antlerless tags alone failed to reduce the population to near goal.

Hunters can earn their buck in one of the following ways...

1. A hunter harvested an antlerless deer in 2005 in a unit that is now an EAB unit in 2006. The hunter is prequalified and will receive his/her 2006 Buck Authorization Sticker via mail (see page 27).
2. A hunter harvests an antlerless deer in 2006 in any EAB unit during any deer season. The hunter will receive his/her 2006-07 Buck Authorization Sticker at the registration station (see page 27).
3. A hunter shoots and tags an antlerless deer and then shoots and tags a buck. Provided the antlerless deer accompanies the buck until both are registered and the antlerless deer has not previously been used to earn a Buck Authorization Sticker, no Buck Authorization Sticker is required to tag the buck.
4. You can also qualify for a buck authorization by filling an agricultural damage tag with an antlerless deer.

Note: It is illegal to use a car-killed deer to obtain a Buck Authorization Sticker or as authorization to register a buck.

Seasons & Harvest Limits

2006 Gun Deer Seasons — EAB Units	
Season	Harvest Limits
November 18 – 26	One buck deer per unused Gun Buck Deer Carcass Tag provided a Buck Authorization Sticker is affixed to the back of the Gun Buck Deer Carcass Tag, OR an unregistered antlerless deer tagged by the same hunter accompanies the buck deer until both are registered. Also additional antlerless deer per unused Antlerless Deer Carcass Tags (valid in Herd Control and EAB units).
December 7 – 10	<i>Antlerless deer only hunt:</i> One antlerless deer per unused Antlerless Deer Carcass Tag (valid in Herd Control and EAB units).

- A *buck deer* means a deer with at least one antler which is 3 inches or longer in length.
- An *antlerless deer* means any deer without antlers or any deer with both antlers less than 3 inches in length.

Seasons & Harvest Limits *continued*

2006 Archery Deer Seasons — EAB Units	
Season	Harvest Limits
September 16 – November 16 & November 27 – January 7	One antlerless deer per unused Archery Either Sex Deer Carcass Tag or one buck deer per Archery Either Sex Deer Carcass Tag provided a Buck Authorization Sticker is affixed to the back of the Archery Either Sex Deer Carcass Tag or an antlerless deer tagged by the same hunter accompanies the buck until both are registered. Also, one antlerless deer per unused Archery Antlerless Deer Carcass Tag & additional antlerless deer per unused Antlerless Deer Carcass Tags (valid in Herd Control and EAB units), EXCEPT December 7 – 10.
December 7 – 10	<i>Antlerless deer only hunt:</i> One antlerless deer per unused Archery Either Sex Deer Carcass Tag or Archery Antlerless Deer Carcass Tag and additional antlerless deer per unused Antlerless Deer Carcass Tags (valid in Herd Control and EAB units).

2006 Muzzleloader Deer Seasons — EAB Units	
Season	Harvest Limits
November 27 – December 6	One buck deer per unused Gun Buck Deer Carcass Tag provided a Buck Authorization Sticker is affixed to the back of the Gun Buck Carcass Tag, OR an unregistered antlerless deer tagged by the same hunter accompanies the buck deer until both are registered. Also additional antlerless deer per unused Antlerless Deer Carcass Tags (valid in Herd Control and EAB units).

See page 38 for October 7-8 Youth Hunt information.

- A *buck deer* means a deer with at least one antler which is 3 inches or longer in length.
- An *antlerless deer* means any deer without antlers or any deer with both antlers less than 3 inches in length.

Ask First and Say Thanks!

Wisconsin landowners appreciate those people who ask permission to hunt and say thanks afterward. This builds important landowner-hunter trust. Remember, entering private lands without permission is illegal and creates a negative image for all hunters.

Seasons & Harvest Limits *continued*

Metro Earn-a-Buck Units

Units 59M, 60M, and 64M are Metropolitan (Metro) Deer Management Units. All Metro Units have additional deer harvest opportunities (longer seasons) due to higher deer populations in and around urban areas. Note: Only shotguns, muzzleloaders and handguns are allowed in these three units during firearm seasons.

2006 Gun Deer Seasons — Metro EAB Units	
Season	Harvest Limits
November 18 – December 6	One buck deer per unused Gun Buck Deer Carcass Tag provided a Buck Authorization Sticker is affixed to the back of the Gun Buck Deer Carcass Tag, OR an unregistered antlerless deer tagged by the same hunter accompanies the buck until both are registered. Also additional antlerless deer per unused Antlerless Deer Carcass Tags (valid in Herd Control and EAB units).
December 7 – 10	<i>Antlerless deer only hunt:</i> One antlerless deer per unused Antlerless Deer Carcass Tag (valid in Herd Control and EAB units).

2006 Archery Deer Seasons — Metro EAB Units	
Season	Harvest Limits
September 16 – November 16 & November 18 – January 31	One antlerless deer per unused Archery Either Sex Deer Carcass Tag or one buck deer per unused Archery Either Sex Deer Carcass Tag provided a Buck Authorization Sticker is affixed to the back of the Archery Either Sex Carcass Tag, OR an antlerless deer tagged by the same hunter must accompany the buck until both are registered. Also, one antlerless deer per unused Archery Antlerless Deer Carcass Tag & additional antlerless deer per unused Antlerless Deer Carcass Tags (valid in Herd Control and EAB units), EXCEPT December 7 – 10.
December 7 – 10	<i>Antlerless deer only hunt:</i> One antlerless deer per unused Archery Either Sex Deer Carcass Tag or Archery Antlerless Deer Carcass Tag & additional antlerless deer per unused Antlerless Deer Carcass Tags (valid in Herd Control and EAB units).

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- A *buck deer* means a deer with at least one antler which is 3 inches or longer in length.
- An *antlerless deer* means any deer without antlers or any deer with both antlers less than 3 inches in length.

Carcass Tags: New for 2006 and Beyond...

One of the goals entering the 2006 deer season was tagging simplification. If you are a veteran Wisconsin deer hunter you likely have already noticed the new carcass tag design. If you are new to hunting deer in Wisconsin, welcome! Whether you're a veteran hunter or a newcomer, we hope you find the tags straight forward and easy to use.

The intent of the new tag design is to let hunters know:

- What weapon to use to fill the tag,
- What type of deer the tag is valid for, and
- Where the tag is valid.

Gun Buck Deer Carcass Tag

Where can I use this deer carcass tag?

This tag is valid in any DMU statewide.

What type of deer can I harvest using this tag in a Regular unit?

This Gun Buck Deer Tag is only valid for a buck deer in any Regular unit.

What type of deer can I harvest in a Herd Control unit?

This Gun Buck Deer Tag is only valid for a buck deer in any Herd Control unit.

How is this tag used in an EAB unit?

This Gun Buck Deer Carcass Tag is not valid in EAB units, **unless** a Buck Authorization Sticker is attached to this carcass tag, or a legally harvested unregistered antlerless deer, tagged by the same person, accompanies the buck deer until both are registered.

Is this tag weapon specific?

Yes. This tag can only be used to harvest a deer with a firearm and a valid Gun Deer License.

Is this Gun Buck Deer Carcass Tag ever valid for an antlerless deer?

The only time the Gun Buck Deer Carcass Tag may be used to tag an antlerless deer is when used by a hunter who holds a valid class A or C disabled permit, or when used by a hunter who is a qualified member of the U.S. Armed Forces (see page 7).

Gun Buck Deer Carcass Tag	
Valid only in the following unit(s):	
ANY UNIT STATEWIDE	
See Deer Management Unit Map in Deer Regulation Book	
Slit Month/Date/Time (AM/PM) of kill and attach to Ear(or Antler)	
JOHN TEST SMITH WI CUST # 999-912-348	
Tran #022116555	2006 Expires: March 31, 2007
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20	

Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec AM/PM

Regular Units: Unit Specific Antlerless Deer Carcass Tag

Antlerless Deer
Carcass Tag

Valid only in the
following unit(s):

Unit: 10

See Deer Management Unit Map in
Deer Regulation Book

Slit Month/Date/Time (AM/PM) of kill
and attach to Ear(or Antler)

JOHN TEST SMITH
WI CUST # 999-912-348

Tran #022116555

Expires: March 31, 2007

2006

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Where can I use this tag?

This Antlerless Deer Carcass Tag is only valid in the unit specified on the tag. For example, this sample tag is only valid for an antlerless deer in unit 10. It is not valid in Herd Control or EAB units.

What can I harvest with this tag?

This carcass tag is valid for tagging one antlerless deer only in the unit specified.

Which weapon can I use this carcass tag with?

The Unit Specific Antlerless Deer Carcass Tag is not weapon specific. You may use it to tag an antlerless deer killed with legal archery equipment, with a valid Archery License, or a firearm (including muzzleloaders), with a valid Gun Deer License during the respective open seasons.

How do I obtain a unit specific antlerless carcass tag?

All Unit Specific Antlerless Deer Carcass Tags will be made available at any DNR license vendor, online at www.dnr.wi.gov, or by phone on a first come, first served basis. These antlerless permits will go on sale at noon on Saturday August 26, 2006. Unit Specific Antlerless Tags are \$12.00 for residents and \$20.00 for non-residents and can be purchased at a rate of one per hunter per day, until sold out.

How many antlerless permits are available for my unit?

Availability of permits depends on the antlerless quota for each specific unit. Permit availability per unit is accessible at www.dnr.wi.gov.

Herd Control & EAB Units: Antlerless Deer Carcass Tag

Antlerless Deer Carcass Tag	
Valid only in the following unit(s):	
Herd Control & EAB	
See Deer Management Unit Map in Deer Regulation Book	
Slit Month/Date/Time (AM/PM) of kill and attach to Ear(or Antler)	
JOHN TEST SMITH WI CUST # 999-912-348	
Tran #022116555	
2006	
Expires: March 31, 2007	
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Where can I use this tag?

This Antlerless Deer Carcass Tag is only valid in Herd Control, Earn-A-Buck and CWD units. It is not valid in Regular or non-quota units.

What can I harvest with this tag?

This carcass tag is only valid for tagging one antlerless deer.

What weapon can I use?

The Antlerless Deer Carcass Tag is not weapon specific. You may use it to tag an antlerless deer killed with legal archery equipment and a valid Archery License or a firearm (including muzzleloaders) and a valid Gun Deer License during the respective open seasons.

Where and how can I get these tags?

One is issued free with each deer license (so individuals will receive two free antlerless tags if they purchase both the Archery and Gun Deer License or are a Conservation Patron). Additional Herd Control and EAB Antlerless Deer Carcass Tags are available at any DNR license vendor, online at www.dnr.wi.gov, or by phone for \$2.00 each for residents and non-residents.

How many Antlerless Deer Carcass Tags can I obtain?

There are an unlimited number of antlerless tags for Herd Control and EAB units and hunters can obtain as many Antlerless Deer Carcass Tags as they wish for \$2.00 each.

Is this tag valid in Regular units?

No. It is only valid in Herd Control, EAB and CWD units.

Archery Either Sex Deer Carcass Tag

Archery Either Sex Deer Carcass Tag

Valid only in the following unit(s):

ANY UNIT STATEWIDE

See Deer Management Unit Map in Deer Regulation Book

Slit Month/Date/Time (AM/PM) of kill and attach to Ear(or Antler)

JOHN TEST SMITH
WI CUST # 999-912-348

Tran #022116555

Expires: March 31, 2007

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Where can I use this deer carcass tag?

This either sex carcass tag is valid in any unit, statewide during an open archery season. It is valid for either a buck or an antlerless deer harvested with legal archery equipment. This is the ONLY archery tag valid for harvesting a buck.

What is this carcass tag valid for in a Regular unit?

In a Regular unit, this carcass tag is valid for a deer of either sex during the archery season, except during the December 7-10 antlerless only deer hunt, when only antlerless deer may be harvested.

How can this carcass tag be used in a Herd Control unit?

In a Herd Control Unit, this carcass tag is valid for a deer of either sex, except during the December 7-10 antlerless only deer hunt, when only antlerless deer may be harvested.

Is this carcass tag valid in EAB units?

Yes, however, in EAB units, this carcass tag is valid only for an antlerless deer, unless a buck authorization has been earned and attached to the tag or a legally harvested and tagged, unregistered antlerless deer, tagged by the same person, accompanies the buck until both are registered. During the December 7–10 antlerless only deer hunt, this tag is only valid for an antlerless deer.

Can this tag be filled with a deer harvested with a firearm?

No. This tag is weapon specific and may not be used to tag a deer harvested with a firearm.

Archery Antlerless Deer Carcass Tag

Archery Antlerless Carcass Tag	
Valid only in the following unit(s):	
ANY UNIT STATEWIDE	
See Deer Management Unit Map in Deer Regulation Book	
Slit Month/Date/Time (AM/PM) of kill and attach to Ear(or Antler)	
JOHN TEST SMITH WI CUST # 999-912-348	
2006	
Tran #022116555 Expires: March 31, 2007	
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Where and how can I use this carcass tag?

This carcass tag is valid in any unit, statewide during an open archery season. It is only valid for an antlerless deer harvested with legal archery equipment with a valid Archery License.

What can I harvest with this tag?

This carcass tag is only valid for tagging one antlerless deer in any unit statewide.

What weapon can I use?

The Archery Antlerless Deer Carcass Tag is weapon specific and can only be used for an antlerless deer harvested with legal archery equipment.

Where/how can I get these tags?

One is issued free with each Archery Deer License or Patron License. Hunters who were not issued this tag when they purchased their Patron or Archery License will be mailed this tag. Since May 15, 2006, this tag has been issued with all Archery or Patron Licenses sold.

Can this tag be filled with a deer harvested with a firearm?

No. This tag is weapon specific and may not be used to tag a deer harvested with a firearm.

EAB Units: Buck Authorization Stickers

2006 Earn-a-Buck Unit Buck Authorization



DNR Customer # _____

Must be attached to back of Gun Buck
Deer or Archery Either Sex Deer Carcass Tag.

Buck Authorization Stickers earned by registering an antlerless deer during the 2005 deer hunting season, in a Deer Management Unit that is designated an EAB unit in 2006. This authorization will be mailed in August to those hunters who registered an antlerless deer in 2005 in units which are now EAB in 2006.

2006-2007 Earn-a-Buck Unit Buck Authorization



DNR Customer # _____

Must be attached to back of Gun Buck
Deer or Archery Either Sex Deer Carcass Tag.

Buck Authorization Stickers earned during the 2006 deer hunting season. These stickers are earned by tagging and registering an antlerless deer in an EAB unit. These stickers can be used during the 2006 deer season in an EAB unit, or, if not used in 2006, can be used to validate the earner's Gun Buck Deer Carcass Tag or Archery Either Sex Deer Carcass Tag in 2007 if it is used in an EAB unit during the 2007 deer season.

Where is my buck authorization valid?

Buck authorizations can be used to validate your Gun Buck Deer Carcass Tag or your Archery Deer Either Sex Carcass Tag and can be used during any hunting season open to harvesting a buck using the appropriate legal hunting weapon for that tag. They are valid in **ANY EAB unit** throughout the state.

How many buck authorizations can I earn?

During the 2006 season, a buck authorization will be issued for each antlerless deer registered in all EAB units. One may be used to validate your Gun Buck Deer Carcass Tag or Archery Either Sex Deer Carcass Tag. Additional buck authorizations (over two) earned in 2006 may not be used in the 2006 deer season, but can be used in any unit designated as EAB in the 2007 season (up to two).

Is the buck authorization weapon or season specific?

No. It can be used with either a valid Archery License or a valid Gun Deer License during an open season. An antlerless deer harvested with a gun or bow in an EAB unit will earn a buck authorization that can be used with either a Gun Buck Deer Carcass Tag or an Archery Deer Either Sex Carcass Tag.

Can I earn a buck for someone else?

Buck authorizations are non-transferable. Only those who tag and register an antlerless deer will be issued a buck authorization. Group hunting is allowed to earn or harvest a buck, but only the person who tags and registers an antlerless deer will receive the buck authorization. Only the person who has been issued a buck authorization may use it to tag a buck.

How do I prequalify for a buck for next year (2007)?

During a 2006 deer seasons, if you tag and register an antlerless deer killed in a Herd Control or CWD Unit that becomes EAB in 2007, you will be prequalified and will be mailed an EAB Authorization for the 2007 deer season in August of 2007. In addition, an EAB authorization issued when you register an antlerless deer in a 2006 EAB unit will be valid in any 2007 EAB unit if it is not used in 2006 (up to two). If the Herd Control or CWD Unit you kill an antlerless deer in during the 2006 season is not an EAB unit in 2007, you will not be prequalified for a buck in 2007.